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The tremendous pressure exerted by powerful members of the Security Council on other members has resulted in the issuance of a presidential statement regarding Myanmar's democratic and national reconciliation process. This is unprecedented, since Myanmar is not a threat to either international or regional peace and security, a fact testified to by all of Myanmar's neighbours and the Non-Aligned Movement which constitute a clear majority of United Nations membership. The presidential statement delved into matters that, under the Charter of the United Nations, lie within the domestic domain of my country and we find this highly objectionable. It must be noted that the good offices role of the Secretary-General is mandated by the General Assembly. Myanmar therefore greatly regrets the course of action taken.

I wish to request that the present letter be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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